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Honorable Carl Duckett  
Deputy Director for Science and Technology  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear *Carl* Mr. Duckett:

This office has the responsibility of preparing a paper presenting major technical issues of the supersonic civilian transport program. The paper will be utilized by the Secretary of Transportation for the new Administration; it should be available, therefore, in early January 1969. Military aircraft have had limited experience at supersonic flight above Mach 2.5 for sustained periods, available data being primarily from XB-70 and SR-71 aircraft.

It would be appreciated if I and key members of my staff could be briefed on technical data available to your organization on any aircraft flights operating above Mach 2.5 that could be applicable to SST design and operation.

Sincerely,

*Frank*

Frank W. Lehan  
Assistant Secretary for  
Research and Technology

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Don pls see me on this  
Carl*

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